

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Hisakazu HOJO, et al.**

Serial No.: **Not Yet Assigned**

Filed: **December 4, 2001**

For: **MANUFACTURING METHOD OF FOOD ADDITIVE COMPOSITION AND FOOD
COMPOSITION CONTAINING THE SAME**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: December 4, 2001

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 7 as follows:

7. (Amended) A food composition containing the food additive composition obtained in the
method according to any one of claims 1 to 5.

REMARKS

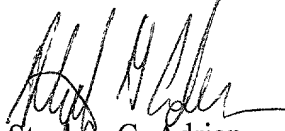
The above amendment to the claim has been made to correct the multiple dependency of the claim and to place the application in better condition for examination.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 7 has been amended.

7. A food composition containing the food additive composition obtained in the method according to any one of claims 1 to 5 6.